



BORIS THE SPIDER

A Journal of Duplicitous Doings,
Raw Power, and Naked Greed

"Oh, what a tangled web we weave
When first we practice to deceive!"
--Sir Walter Scott--



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MS NAR RETURNS TO THE KNIFE

Yes, your favorite Avatar of Fate (dice roller, card drawer) will again be going under the knife (15 Jul, same hospital as last time to reconnect her lower bowels with her uppers -- a blessing to all that crave favorable rolls, I'm sure, since her rolls of late have been NASTY. If you'd like to send e-mail greetings, go to Reference 2 and click on "Patient E-mail Service" in the left box.

Several games will finish in the next few issues. AGE OF RENAISSANCE "... Cyning" will certainly finish next time and BRITANNIA "Egbert" should also. 1856 "Lord Stanley" will likely be in the next issue. Still need color druthers (or sides if 5-way) for "Egbert's" successor, "Frisian".

Note that the deadline for the next issue is the 2nd Friday of Aug rather than the usual first. This is due to WBC running 29 Jul-3 Aug. You really should attend.

GAME OPENINGS:

1830: Room for one more since either Chuck or Mark volunteered to run it.

Gunboat MACH: Have three signed up.

BORIS'S BULLETIN BOARD

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: "Reasonable orders are easy enough to obey: it is capricious, bureaucratic, or plain idiotic demands that form the habit of discipline." --Barbara W. Tuchman

BOOS & KUDOS

This month's Madame Bolduc Press Excellence Award (and free issue) goes to Ron Fisher for his *Die Presse* article in "Boris XVI".

This month's Ms Nar Super-Suds Bomb is lobbed at Walt O'Hara for the latest of orders received.

References:

1. <http://hometown.aol.com/prbolduc/boris/borishome.htm>
2. <http://www.twocitieshospital.com>

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION HERE (maybe):

Deadline for most games is 1800 CST 8 AUG 03



MIRKWOOD: With the collapse of England and France, the World's eyes turn to the action in Asia Minor. Outnumbered four to three, Sultan Ali Carr's only hope of survival is if Kaiser Dave's invasion of Austria will distract Emperor Ron's assault -- and if Italy's in on it, it ought to.

TROOP MOVEMENTS:

AUSTRIA (R Fisher): A Ser-Bul, [A Gre S A Ser to Bull, F Aeg S F Eas-Smy, [A Alb-Tri], [F Eas-Smy], A Bud-Gel;

ENGLAND (CD): F Nwg Hru;

FRANCE (Boyum): [A Gas-Par](d), [A Bre S A Gas-Par](d), [F Wal-Lpl](nsu), [F Tun Hksu].

GERMANY (Anderson): A Den H, [A Par S A Pic-Brel, F Lon-Eng, A Yor-Lpl, A Pic-Bre, F Nth-Edt, [A Bur-Gas], A Mun-Tri;

ITALY (K Wilson): A Spa-Gas, A Mar S A Spa-Gas, F Wes-Tun, F Mid S GER A Pic-Bre, [A Ven-Tri], [F Ion-Grel, [F Nap-Ion];

RUSSIA (Fowble): A Rum S AUS A Ser-Bul, A Swe S F Nwy, [F Nwy S F Bar-Nth Imp], A Sev S A Rum, [A Arm-Ank], [F Bar-Nth Imp];

TURKEY (Nichols): [F Bla-Ank], A Smy H, [A Bul-Ser](d), A Con S A Smy.

Orders in brackets fail; CD = Civil Disorder, d = disbanded, otb = off the board, otm = on the move, r-?? = must retreat somewhere, u = unordered. See map and full transcript of game on the Website.

SUPPLY CENTERS:

AUS: Bud Tri Vie Ser Gre Bul	(6) Even
ENG: -Edi	(0) Tear 1, OUT
FRA: -Bre -Lpl	(0) OUT
GER: Ber Kie Mun Bel Den Hol Lon Par +Bre +Edi +Lpl	(11) Build 3
ITA: Nap Rom Ven Tun Mar Spa Por	(7) Even
RUS: Mos StP Swe War Nwy Sev +Rum	(7) Build 1
TUR: Ank Con Smy -Rum	(3) Even

Due next time: Orders for builds/tears and for Spring 1906 and Press.

EMBASSY BEAT

Die Presse (Vienna): "Panic in Trieste! Mayor arrested: Imperial troops have been recalled from Albania to Trieste to stop a panicked population from flooding into neighboring provinces. Order has finally been restored and the following statement has been released by Col. HaginDaz, commanding officer on the scene: 'The Mayor has been taken into custody after irresponsible statements to the local press regarding reported sightings of Italian Naval Units off the west coast of Greece and unconfirmed reports of Italian Troops moving into Venice. Imperial troops will maintain order in the region until competent civilian authorities can be put in place. The government has no reason to suspect any aggression from our friendly neighbor Italy and will not tolerate rumor-mongering or other forms of rabble-rousing to disrupt normal life in the province.' Panicked civilians are starting to return home and some businesses have re-opened. The government also announced a Naval Squadron will monitor Italian Naval activities in the Ionian Sea and urges the local population to remain calm and return to their normal activities."



MACHIAVELLI

WE BEGIN!

SPRING 1513

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Ragocitti: Bocceball Fever has erupted into violence as the pundits all predicted. There already have been a minor naval clash between the Papacy and the Venetians and the repulsion of an Austrian army from MIL. More tumult will surely occur.

TROOP PLACEMENTS:

AUSTRIA (Wilson, 2d): A Aus-Carin, A Bari-Aqu, A Mea-Pal, [A MIL B] (r-??), A Tyr-Como, F Nap-TS, F Sar-Cor;

FRANCE (Scott, 2d): A Avi-Tur, A Salz-Sav, F Mar-Gol, [G MIL = A];

MILAN (Cole, 2d): A Cre-Mil, A Fer-Man, A Mod-Par, A Pav S A Cre-Mil;

PAPACY (Anderson, 4d): A Bol-Flo, A Per-Are, A Rome - G, [F Anc-UA];

TURKEY (McConnell, 3d): A Alb-Her, A Hun-Sie, F Dur-LA, F Tun-WM;

VENICE (Nichols, 9d): A Pad-Fer, A Tre-Ven, [F Dal-UA], G Ven = F;

Autonomous: Are, Flo, Gen, Luc, Man, Mon, Pio, Pisa, Rag, Sav, Sie, Trent, Tur.

Orders in brackets fall. otb = off the board, r-?? = must retreat otb or elsewhere.

Austrian Army MIL must retreat otb or to TYR or TRENT.

Orders for the retreat and for Summer 1513 are due next time. And Press. Ms Nar craves Press.

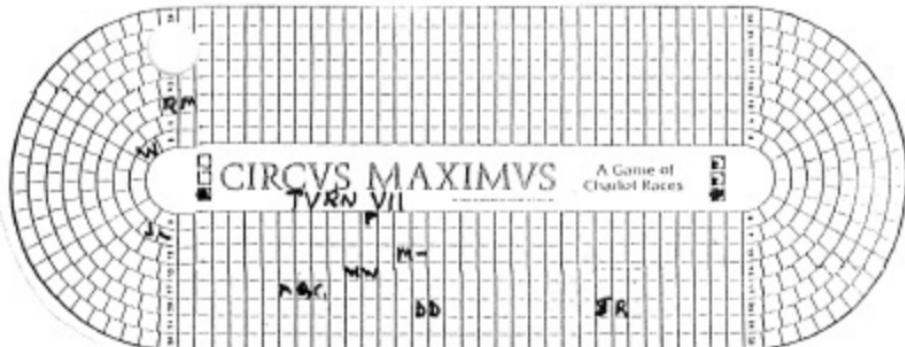
Game transcript and, if I get lucky with graphics, perhaps a game map are on the website.

EMBASSY BEAT

Austria to Turkey: I'm placing some faith in you. I just don't want to see that army in Austria when Boris arrives.

--"CIRCUS MAXIMUS" (continued from p 4)

short life, and a merry one" thought Rufus, as he hawked and spat out arena dust. "Hmmm.. he'll leave a pretty widow. If I survive this mess, p'raps I'll make myself presentable and pay a visit with my condolences." First, though, he would have to gain a few car lengths, and there damned few easy ways to do THAT at this point. Rufus spared the whip and plowed ahead, targetting his next rival...



CIRCUS MAXIMVS TURN VII

A Game of
Chariot Races

LAERTES DIES!

Orange bets 5000 on Maximus Gladiatus. Yellow bets 1000 s each on Davidus and Sprinticus. Green bets 1300 s each on Josephis and Sparticus.

TURN VII

Odds	Color	Driver (CDM/DH)	Cart	Whip	Wheels	Team	End	Speed	D/E
4-1	Red	Rufus Magnus (+2/7)	H	Y	0/0	5324	23	16	2/3
5-1	Green	Josephis (+2/9)	L	Y	0/0	7447	28	24	2/3
6-1	Blue	Sprinticus Rex (+2/8)	L	Y	0/0	7545	13	23	2/2
8-1	Orange	Maximus Gladiatus (0/7)	M	Y	0/0	7436	40	20	2/2
21-1	Yellow	Davidus Detroiti (+2/6)	L	Y	2/0	4444	37	18	2/2
32-1	White	Minnesotus (+1/7)	M	Y	0/0	4536	22	18	2/2
120-1	Aqua	Whiplash Willie (+1/6)	M	Y	0/0	4435	11	17	2/2
	Purple	Leadfoot Laertes (-1/2)	W	-	-/-	6325	39	16	2/2

Maximus (York): 17, no whip. Ahead 17. Accepts all attacks.

Josephis (R Fisher): 12, no whip. Ahead 8, in 1, cornerstrain at 3 over (13-2 = S; -3 END).

Involuntary ram attack into Minnesotus's cart (6 = 1 inj) pt to #4 horse), ahead 2. Team speed further reduced by one next turn only.

Whiplash (Zteske): 15, no whip. Ahead 5, attack Sprinticus cart-to-cart; SR evades (9+2 vs 8+1), ahead 3, attack Maximus cart-cart (13+1 defender's cart damaged; 9 = 3 damage; wheel deck: 4 = OK); ahead 1, attack MG cart-horse (4 = 0 inj), ahead 3.

Sprinticus (Copeland): 23, no whip. Used 2 to evade in, ahead 17, out 4.

Rufus (O'Hara): 12, no whip. Ahead 10, out 1, ahead 1.

Davidus (Dave Al): 17, whip (2, -2 END). Wheel check (6 ok). Ahead 9, whip MG's horses; (6+2 vs 8, -1 END). Ahead 10.

Minnesotus (Kanne): 16, no whip. Ahead 1, cornerstrain at 4 over (10-1 = n/c; -4 END), ahead 15.

Leadfoot (Hogan): 16. Ahead 1, dragging LL through the wreck and killing him, ahead 15.

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5-1	Green	Josephis (+2/9)	L	Y	0/0	7446	28	(22)	2/2
6-1	Blue	Sprinticus Rex (+2/8)	L	Y	0/0	7545	13	23	2/2
8-1	Orange	Maximus Gladiatus (0/7)	M	Y	3/0	7436	39	20	2/2
21-1	Yellow	Davidus Detroiti (+2/6)	L	Y	2/0	4444	35	18	2/2
32-1	White	Minnesotus (+1/7)	M	Y	0/0	4536	18	19	2/2
120-1	Aqua	Whiplash Willie (+1/6)	M	Y	0/0	4435	11	17	2/2
	Purple	Leadfoot Laertes (-1/2)	W	-	-/-	6325	39	16	2/2

See Website for map and transcript.

Press: Far Ahead, Laertes sawed at his reins in a frantic attempt to regain control of his doomed chariot as his rear wheels skidded sideways. At this distance, it was almost comical to watch. "A

--continued on p 3



DUNE

Set-Up & Turn 1a



The Board:

ATREIDES (Nichols): 10T @ Arrakeen, 10R, 10S, 1C
BENE GESSERIT (O'Hara): 1T @ Carthag, 5S, 19R, 1C
BENE TLEILAXU (Buttitta): 4C, 4S
FREMEN (Barrett): 3T @ Sietch Tabr, 7T @ False Wall West, 3S, 10R, 1C
GUILD (Anderson): 5T @ Tuck's Sietch, 15R, 5S, 1C
HARKONNEN (Wilson): 10T Carthag, 10R, 10S, 2C
LANSRAAD (R Fisher): 20R, 30S, 1C

TURN 1

The BT lays a trap in Habbanya Ridge Sietch.

1.1 **Storm:** The Storm moves 14 to Sector 15. The Turn 2 Storm chit is ____.

1.2 **Spice Blow:** 8S @ Cielago North & 10S @ Habbanya Ridge Flat. The next Spice card is _____.

1.3 **Bidding:** There are seven cards up for bid. They are alphabetically by type: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____. Remember, the BT can donate a card in this phase.

Due next time are your orders for bidding and movement phases. Ms Nar craves Press.

Press:

The Fremen bid welcome to all alien races on Arrakis. Be aware though that this strange land belongs ultimately to its indigenous people and the Fremen will strive tirelessly to that end. Let the spice blow freely and may your water be our water.

House Harkonnen to the Great Houses of the Imperium Gathered in the Landsraad, the Major Schools and to the Guild. To all, welcome. House Harkonnen welcomes visitors to Arrakis, the wondrous source of Spice. But we advise caution. The rabble of pan and sink, the Fremen, are in revolt and we cannot guarantee the safety of your representatives. Treachery is expected so beware. We assure the Emperor that The Spice Will Flow.





BRITANNIA

"Egbert"

Turns XV & XVI



The Cast:

Blue: Kevin Wilson Green: Dave Anderson Purple: Chuck Hanna Red: Peter Boyum

Board

Welsh (2.5): 4A @ March; 2A @ Powys; 1A @ Cornwall, Clwyd, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd.

Picts (2.5): 2A @ Alban; 1A @ Mar.

Caledonians (0): 2A @ Hebrides.

Scots (2): 2A @ Strathclyde; 1A @ Dunedin.

Norsemen (0): 2A @ Moray, Skye; 1A @ Caithness, Orkneys.

Dubliners (0): 3A @ Galloway; 1A @ Cheshire, Pennines.

Danes (1): 2A @ Downlands.

Norwegians: Harald & 10A @ North.

Saxons (1): 3A @ Essex, N Mercia, York; 2A @ Lindsey, Lothian; 1A @ Avalon, Bernicia, Kent, Norfolk, S Mercia, Suffolk, Sussex, Wessex. Harold @ ?.

Normans: Willy, 6A, 4C @ Channel.

Score: Red 93.5, Purple 69.5, Green 60.5, Blue 33

TURN XV (concluded)

Scots (2): Grow 1 pp. Add 1A @ Dunedin. 2A Strathclyde-Dalrada.

Norsemen (0): Grow 2 pp. Hold.

Dubliners (0): Grow 2 pp. 1A Pennines-Cheshire, 1A Galloway-Strathclyde, 1A Galloway-Cumbria-Cheshire

Danes (1): Grow 0.5 pp. Hold.

Norwegians: 1st Wave: 3A, Harald: North-York (6+1,2+1,2+1:4,3,1 -1 Saxon, 1 Saxon r-N Mercia), 2A North-Bernicia (6,5:4 -1 Saxon), 2A North-Bernicia-Pennines, 3A North-Lothian (4,3,1:5,1; 5,1:6,1; 6:6 -3 Norwegians, -2 Saxons). 2nd Wave: 1A Pennines-Cumbria-Pennines, 1A Pennines-Lothian, 1A Bernicia-York-Lindsey, 3A, Harald York-Lindsey (4+1,3+1,2,2:5,1; 6+1,2+1,1:5,1 5+1,2:5 -3 Norwegians, -2 Saxons). +9 tourist Purple VP.

Saxons: Who's afraid of the Norwegians? They're a bunch of Flamers!

Saxons (1): Grow 9 pp. Add 1A @ N Mercia, S Mercia, Norfolk. Place Harold @ N Mercia. 1A N Mercia-York, Harold & 4A @ N Mercia-Lindsey (6+1,3,2,1:5+1-1 Saxon, -1 Norwegian & Harald), 1A @ S Mercia-Hwicce. Score 3 VP for killing Harald.

The Saxons await Willie Wonka and his intonions!

Normans: 1st Wave: 2A Channel-Kent (6,1:5 -1 Saxon, -1 Norman), 2A Channel-Sussex (5,1:1 -1 Saxon), 2A Channel-Wessex (5,1:5 -1 Saxon, -1 Norman), 1C Channel-Wessex-Avalon (4:4 -1 Saxon), 1,3C Channel-Sussex-Essex (6+1,4+1,3+1:4,3,1 -3 Saxons). 2nd Wave: 1C Avalon-Hwicce, 1A Wessex-Avalon-Hwicce (6,2:5 -1 Saxon, -1 Norman A), 1A Sussex-Wessex, 1A Kent-Essex, 2C Essex-Suffolk (6,3:4 -1 Saxon), 1L, 1C Essex-S Mercia (5+1:1 -1 Saxon). Score 16 VP.

Score: Red 96.5, Purple 78.5, Green 60.5, Blue 47.

TURN XVI

Board

Welsh (2.5): 4A @ March; 2A @ Powys; 1A @ Cornwall, Clwyd, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd.



TITAN

First Combat, First Split!
Turn 3

**MOVEMENT:**

Brown (Fruehl), 6-4, 0 VP; dr: 1. Spider 41-100; Antlers 100-3. Antlers spawns Tankard.

Blue (York), 6-4, 0 VP; dr: 3. Batman 122 holds; Anchor 24-21.

Gold (Bargenderer), 6-4, 0 VP; dr: 6. Crown 133-127; Horn 134 hold (Combat).

Red (O'Hara), 6-4, 0 VP; dr: 5. Bleeding Heart 34-134 (Combat); Maltese Cross 30-39.

Green (Rezzarday), 6-4, 0 VP; dr: 2. Dagger 10-6; Fleur-de-Lis 106-104.

Black (Khaosz), 6-4, 0 VP; dr: 5. Eye of Sauron 500 holds; Poison Pen 1000-5.

COMBAT:

At 133: Defender, Horn:

Attacker, Heart:

MUSTERING: 1 centaurs, 2 cyclops, 1 gargoyle, 1 lion, 1 ogre.

FORCE POOL: Archangels (6), Angels (12), Behemoths (18), Centaurs (10), Colossi (10), Cyclops (19), Dragnons (18), Gargoyles (7), Giants (18), Gorgons (25), Griffons (18), Guardians (6), Hydra (10), Lions (25), Minotaurs (21), Ogres (12), Rangers (28), Serpents (10), Trolls (24), Unicorns (12), Warbears (21), Warlocks (4), Wyverns (18).

Your Legions are:

Your Turn 4 die roll is: ____.

Press: For those interested in playing online Titan and many other war games - check out - "acts.warhorsesim.com" - a slice of heaven is now available.

Game map and transcript are on the website.

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Danes (1.5): 2A @ Downlands.

Norwegians: 1A Bernicia, Lothian, Pennines.

Saxons (1): Harold, 3A @ Lindsey; 2A @ Norfolk; 1A @ York.

Normans: Willy, 1C @ S Mercia; 2C @ Suffolk; 1C, @ Hwicce; 1A @ Essex, Sussex, Wessex.

Welsh (2.5): Gwyr 5.5. Add 1A @ ____.

Legend: A = infantry army, C = cavalry army, F = fort, L = leader, pp = population point, R = raider, r-??? = retreats to ???, w-??? = withdraws to ???, * = in melee, # = attack by/against cavalry

See map at: <http://hometown.aol.com/MsNar/maps/Egbert.gif>

1856

LORD STANLEY
OR 8.1-8.3!

ERRATA:

PLAYER STATUS (* = Prez) cert limit = 10

Frueh: \$508, 6 CA*, 2 LPS, 2 CGR, 1 BBG, 1 CPR (10 certs)
 Butcher: \$11, 6 CGR*, 1 LPS, 2 BBG, 1 CA, 2 CPR (9 certs)
 Butitta: \$76, 4 CGR, 6 CPR* (7 certs) (Priority)
 Zieske: \$166, 6 LPS*, 1 CA, 1 BBG, 4 CGR, 1 CPR (10 certs)
 Hanna: \$17, 4 CGR, 6 BBG*, 1 LPS, 2 CA (10 certs)

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Prez	Price	Par	IO Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
LPS	PZ	B275	90	0	0	321	5
CA	MF	C200	80	0	0	086	56
CGR	TB	B110	100	0	0	375	D
CPR	JB	A110	100	0	0	454	6
BBG	CH	C90	100	0	0	334	D

OR 8.1

Corp	Tile Lay	Token	Earn	Div	Trains	Price	Notes
LPS	#45/C16(n)	--	\$200	\$20	5	B300	
CA	#9/C18(sw)	--	\$470	\$47	56	C225	
CGR	#63/J15(se)	--	\$580	\$58	D	B125	
CPR	#57/N3(ne)	M13	\$280	\$28	6	A125	-\$100
BBG	#8/C20(ne)	--	\$550	\$55	D	C100	

OR 8.2

Corp	Tile Lay	Token	Earn	Div	Trains	Price	Notes
LPS	#19/D19(ne)	--	\$220	\$22	5	B325	
CA	#7/B21(n)	--	\$470	\$47	56	C250	
CGR	#14/H15(se)	--	\$410	\$41	D	B150	
CPR	#8/N9(nw)	--	\$320	\$32	6	A150	
BBG	#58/K16(ne)	--	\$550	\$70	D	C110	

OR 8.3

Corp	Tile Lay	Token	Earn	Div	Trains	Price	Notes
LPS	#27/G16(sw)	--	\$220	\$22	5	B350	
CA	---	--	\$470	\$47	56	C275	
CGR	#63/H15(se)	--	\$490	\$49	D	B175	
CPR	#127/M4(n)	--	\$330	\$33	6	A175	
BBG	#57/J13(e)	--	\$630	\$63	D	C125	

PLAYER STATUS (* = Prez) cert limit = 10

Frueh: \$2481, 6 CA*, 2 LPS, 2 CGR, 1 BBG, 1 CPR (10 certs)
 Butcher: \$1192, 6 CGR*, 1 LPS, 2 BBG, 1 CA, 2 CPR (9 certs)
 Butitta: \$930, 4 CGR, 6 CPR* (7 certs) (Priority)
 Zieske: \$1253, 6 LPS*, 1 CA, 1 BBG, 4 CGR, 1 CPR (10 certs)
 Hanna: \$1549, 4 CGR, 6 BBG*, 1 LPS, 2 CA (10 certs)

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Prez	Price	Par	IO Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
LPS	PZ	B350	90	0	0	321	5

CA	MF	B275	80	0	0	086	56
CGR	TB	B175	100	0	0	375	D
CPR	JB	A175	100	0	0	354	6
BBG	CH	C125	100	0	0	334	D

D17, C14, Br
K8, N11, O16, P9, F15, F17, D17, L15N/S, J15, Tun
M4, N11, M13
J15, L13, F15

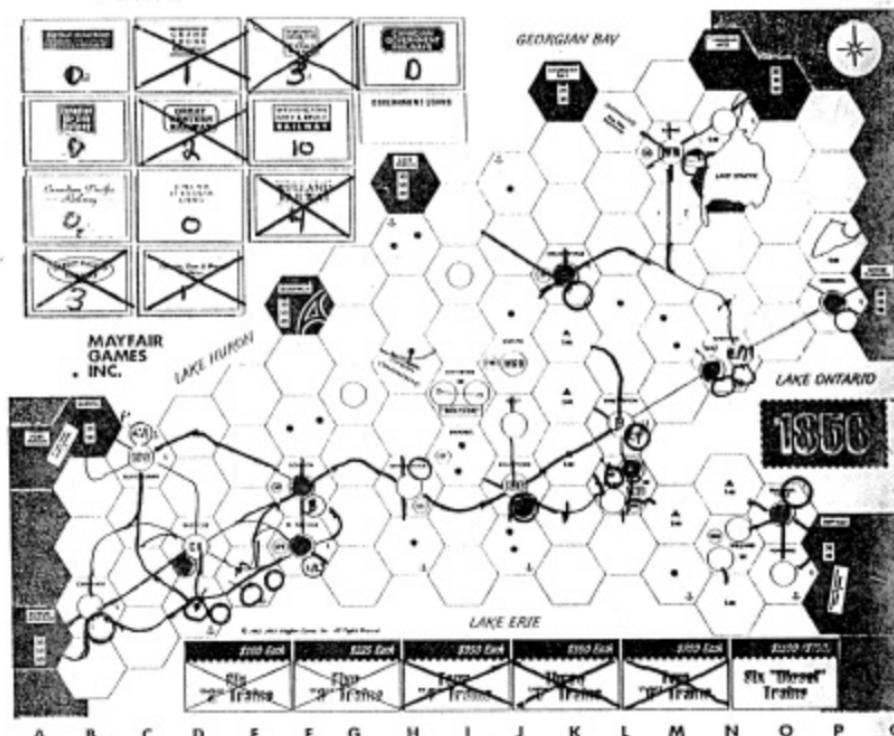
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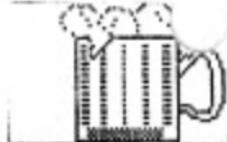
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AVAILABLE TILES:

Yellow: #1(1), #2(1), #3(3), #4(3), #5(1), #6(2), #7(5), #8(4), #9(7), #55(1), #56(1), #57(2), #58(1), #69(1)
 Green: #14(3), #15(0), #16(1), #17(1), #18(1), #19(0), #20(1), #23(2), #24(4), #25(1), #26(1), #27(0), #28(1), #29(1), #59(1)
 Brown: #39(1), #40(1), #41(3), #42(3), #43(1), #44(1), #45(2), #46(1), #47(2), #63(1), #64(1), #65(1), #66(1), #67(1), #68(1), #70(1), #125(0)

Due next time: Orders for SR 9 & OR 9.1. Butitta has the Priority. WGR is available. The game will end in OR 9.3.





1835

OR 8.1-8.3

**Player Status:** (*) = Director Certificate limit = [12], † = double non-Director share

Fisher: 483 M, 1 BY, 1 SX, 5 BA*, 2.5 PR, 1 WT, 1 HE [12 certs] <Zug>

Hanna: 156 M, 5 SX*, 1 PR, 8 WT*†, 1 HE [12]

Butitta: 295 M, 3 SX, 1 BA, 3 PR*, 1 WT, 3 HE [11]

Butcher: 120 M, 5 BY*, 2 PR, 1 BA, 2 HE [9]

Zieske: 211 M, 1.5 PR, 4 BY, 1 SX, 3 BA†, 4 HE*†, 2 MS* [12]

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Dir	Price	IO Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
PR	JB	C190	0 0	1146	3+4+5	C11, E19, F14, H2, G5
SX	CH	A148	0 0	361	33+	H16, E19, H20
BY	TB	B98	0 0	099	5	O15, L14, H20
BA	RF	D94	0 0	180	3	L6SE, F14
WT	CH	C86a	0 0	119	44	M9
HE	PZ	C86b	0 0	430	4	J8
MS	PZ	E80	8 0	(160)	-	[C13]

OR 8.1

Corp	Tile Lay	Tokens	Earn	Dv	Trains	Price	Notes
PR	#211/C11(ne)	--	470	47	3+,4+,5	C212	-50 M
SX	#220/E19(e)	--	300	no	3,3+	A132	
BY	#8/O13(e)	--	210	21	5	B120	
BA	----	--	130	13	3	D102	
WT	#218/L6(se)	J8	200	20	44	C92a	-60 M
HE	#9/I5(se)	H2	120	12	4	C92b	-80 M

OR 8.2

Corp	Tile Lay	Tokens	Earn	Dv	Trains	Price	Notes
PR	#202/I3(e)	--	500	50	3,4+,5	C234	-50 M
SX	#216/H20(ne)	--	320	32	3,3+	A148	
BY	#57/N12(se)	--	220	22	5	B134	
BA	----	--	140	14	3	D112	
WT	#216/J8(sw)	--	220	22	44	C100a	
HE	#217/G3(sw)	--	140	14	4	C100b	

OR 8.3

Corp	Tile Lay	Tokens	Earn	Dv	Trains	Price	Notes
PR	#8/D13(e)	--	500	50	3,4+,5	C262	
SX	#8/D16(w)	--	320	32	3,3+	A166	
BY	#206/N12(nw)	--	220	22	5	B150	
BA	----	--	140	14	3	D124	
WT	#216/H2(se)	--	250	25	44	C110	
HE	#207/I3(???)	--	160	no	4,+,5	C92	-500 M

Player Status: (*) = Director Certificate limit = [12], † = double non-Director share

Fisher: 1308 M, 1 BY, 1 SX, 5 BA*, 2.5 PR, 1 WT, 1 HE [12 certs] <Zug>

Hanna: 1309 M, 5 SX*, 1 PR, 8 WT*† [11]

Butitta: 1204 M, 3 SX, 1 BA, 3 PR*, 1 WT, 3 HE [11]

Butcher: 2605 M, 5 BY*, 2 PR, 1 BA, 2 HE [9]

Zieske: 1011 M, 1.5 PR, 4 BY, 1 SX, 3 BA†, 4 HE*†, 2 MS* [12]

CORPORATION STATUS:

Corp	Dir	Price	IO Pool	Cash	Trains	Tokens
PR	JB	C262	0 0	1046	3+4+5	C11, E19, F14, H2, G5
SX	CH	A166	0 0	361	33+	H16, E19, H20
BY	TB	B150	0 0	099	5	O15, L14, H20
BA	RF	D124	0 0	180	3	L6, F14
WT	CH	C110	0 0	009	44	M9, J8
HE	PZ	C92	0 0	010	4	J8, H2
MS	PZ	E80	8 0	(160)	-	IC13)

The Bank has 2,858 M.

Trains available: 33, 3+, 5+, 66, 6+6+6+

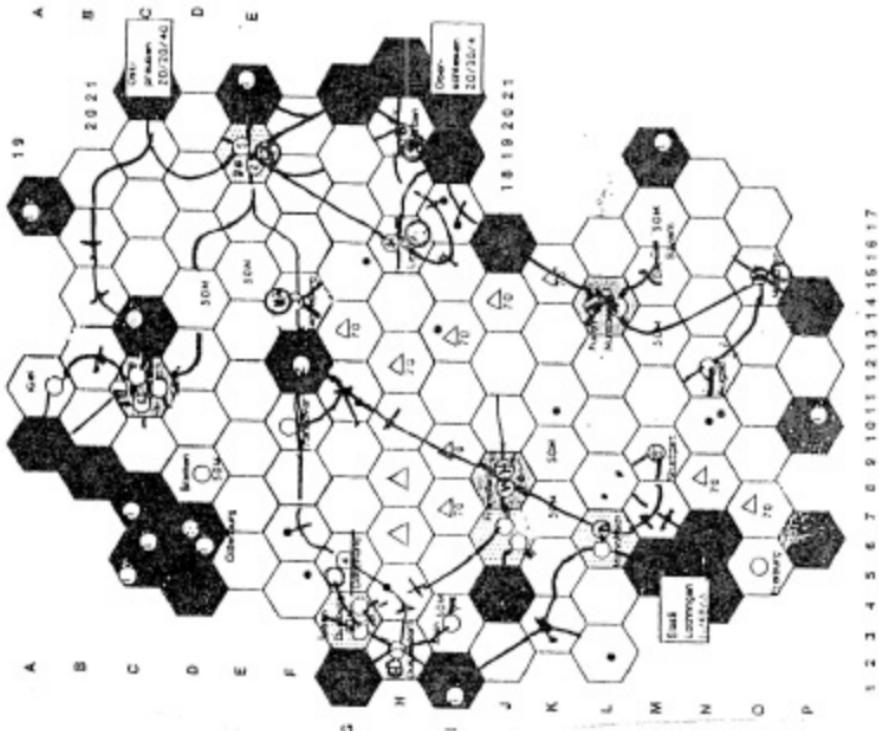
Tiles available:

Yellow: #1(0), #2(1), #3(1), #4(1), #5(2), #6(2), #7(8), #8(8), #9(2), #55(1), #56(1), #57(2), #58(0), #69(0), #201(2), #202(2)

Green: #12(2), #13(2), #14(0), #15(1), #16(1), #18(1), #19(2), #20(2), #23(2), #24(2), #25(1), #26(2), #27(2), #28(2), #29(2), #87(1), #88(2), #203(1), #204(2), #205(0), #206(0), #207(2), #208(2), #209(1), #210(1), #211(1), #212(1), #213(0), #214(1), #215(1)

Brown: #39(1), #40(1), #41(2), #42(2), #43(1), #44(2), #45(2), #46(2), #47(2), #63(3), #70(1), #217(1), #219(2)

Due next: Zieske's choice of tile and orientation in I3 and orders for SR 9 and OR 9.1. Note that the game ends the OR Phase when the Bank runs out of money, so if the Bank is busted in OR 9.1, there will be no OR 9.2, etc. Fisher has der Zug. See transcript on the Website.



Down with the King

Dual Dud Duels!

Turns 11, 12 & 13



ERRATA: Sir Robert rolled on the Fashion Table (7+2 = Smart, Gain 2 PP).

Turn 11:

Sir Guy's counsel to accuse Margaret of wrongdoing. Judge 2 hindrances, Sheriff aids (5 = Monarch is pleased, +1 PP).

The Cast:

D&D Anderson: Lord Jeffrey (#23 & 61), 3 IP, 15/5 PP, 12 cards, #51, #24(MC), #15.
A. Bargender: Lord James (#22, MC), 11 IP, 19/11 PP, 11 cards, #52(H) #12(H) #32
Copeland: Marquise Margaret (#56), 6 IP, 39/17 PP, 12 cards, Philip, #46, #54, #31, #53, #25, #41,
#44, Jane, #36, Anne.
Fowble: Lord Robert (#16/62), 3 IP, 41/2 PP, 11 cards, #13(H), #45, #21, #11, #26, Almery, #35,
#43 #34, #33.
York: Duchess Mary (#64), 1 IP, 19/3 PP, 12 cards, #63(H), #55(H), #42.

The Cabinet:

Monarch: King George (20 Support)	Consort: Queen Catherine
Navy: Lord Arthur (#36) Mt	High Minister: Duke Henry (#43) Ro
State: Earl Duncan (#34), Ro	Army: Earl Francis (#33) Ro
Trade: Duke Marley (#44), Mt	Justice: Lord Robert (#16) I
Epalin: Sir Donald (#21), Ro	Besyzan: Sir Michael (#15) Je
Sandarkan: Sir Guy (#12), Ja	Cronos: Lord Percival (#41) Mt
City States: Sir Richard (#14) My	Treasury: Knight Simon (#31), Mt

Turn 12:

1. Player order: Robert, Margaret, Mary, Jeffrey, James.

2. Office: n/a

3. Political Problems: Minister of Justice Robert (3) tries to solve the Treason and Conspiracy problem. Judge 2 & Archbishop hinder (1+2-1 = 2 solved, Monarch's Support to 30).

4. Crown Event: 10 - Peasant Unrest. High Minister Henry (5) attempts to solve. Archbishop and Sheriff hinder (2-1+2 = 3 solved, Monarch's Support to 40).

5. Player Turns:

Robert: Draws #66, Any Activity. Roll on the Fashion Table (7+2 = Smart, +2 PP). Recruit #66 Lady Debbie. No counsel.

Margaret: Draws #65, Duel (vs #42, Duke Roland). Can't duel (is female and has no henchman). Still loses turn.

Mary: Draws #65, Duel (vs #32, Earl Maxwell). Can't duel (is female and Henchmen aren't eligible). Toss Intrigue

Jeffrey: Draws #65, Gain 1 IP. Pay 4 IP to roll on Patronage Table (8+1 = Respectable, +10 PP). Recruit #65 Baroness Melonie.

James: Draws 1 IP, Gain 1 IP. Roll on the Craft Table (11+2 = Monarch's Craftsman +10 PP & 10 IP). Attain the title of Duke (-5 IP).

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Turn 12:

1. Player order: James, Mary, Margaret, Jeffrey, Robert.

2. Office: n/a

3. Political Problems: None.

4. Crown Event: 7 = Two Political Problems: 7 = Treason and Conspiracy Trials & 3 = Economic Crisis.

Your loyalty chit is 1 IP, your Opportunity Chit is _____, and your Event Card is _____. Due next time are orders for the solving of the new political problems and your player turns for Turn 12.

The Cast:

D&D Anderson: Lord Jeffrey (#23 & 61), 3 IP, 25/13 PP, 12 cards, #51, #24(MC), #15, #65.

A. Bargender: Duke James (#22, MC), 16 IP, 28/20 PP, 11 cards, #52(H), #12(H), #32

Copeland: Marquise Margaret (#56), 6 IP, 39/17 PP, 12 cards, Philip, #46, #54, #31, #53, #25, #41, #44, Jane, #36, Anne.

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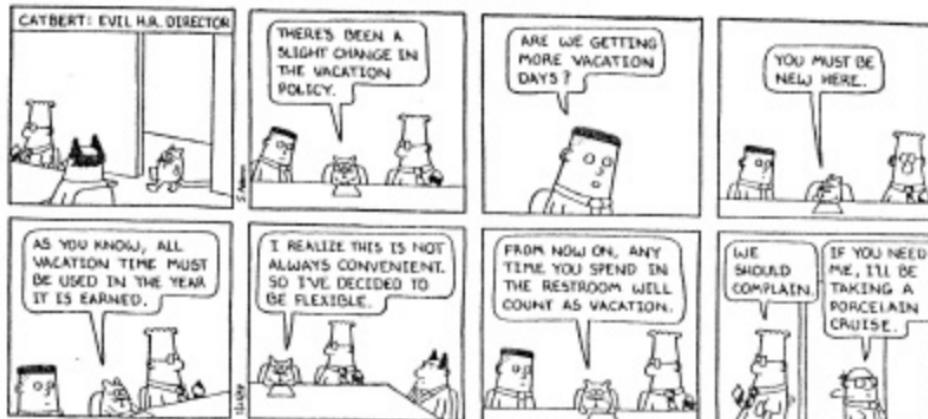
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Table Modifiers

Table	James	Jeffrey	Marge	Mary	Robert
Business Speculation	0	0	-1	0	0
Court Ball	0	0	0	0	+2
Craft	+2	0	0	+2	-1
Fashion	+2	+1	-1	0	+2
Literary Pursuits	+2	+2	+1	+2	0
Patronage	-1	+1	+2	0	0
Socializing	0	0	0	0	-2

Councils

Table	James	Jeffrey	Marge	Mary	Robert
Court Ball	--	--	--	1	1
Foreign War	2	--	--	--	2,3
Scandal	--	--	--	--	4
Treason & Conspiracy Trials (3)	--	--	--	--	1,3





KREMLIN

Karrienko Elected, Waves!



ERRATA: We reported TCC's orders for "R" last time. But STAB revealed 5 IP on "R", and had him condemn "H" and investigate V, N, and K instead, aging an extra 1 SP to 64.

CAST (in Table Order):

Cary Nichola: Re-Education Deployment Society (REDS), 2 cards
 Ron Fisher: Red Bivalve Factory (RBF), 3 cards
 Mike Scott: The California Connection (TCC), 1 card, 2 waves
 Warren "Goz" Goesle: Sneaky, Treacherous, Annoying Bastards (STAB), 2 cards
 Dave Anderson: Decaying Licentious Antequarians (DLA), 1 card

POLITBURO:

Party Chief:	<Vacant>		
KGB Head:	Karrienko (N)	66?	REDS 6, TCC 5
Foreign Minister:	Doberman (L)	70w	RBF 4, REDS 1
Defense Minister:	Nikotin (R)	64	STAB 5, TCC 3, REDS 2
Ideology Chief:	Bungaloff (W)	60	REDS 2, TCC 1
Industry Minister:	Boremtodev (K)	66?	
Economy Minister:	Schukrutow (B)	75s	
Sport Minister:	<Vacant>		
Candidates: DEQS			People: CIJMOPTUXYZ(+,RBF 5)
The Wall: AFGV			Siberia: H

PHASE 3.5: FUNERAL COMMISSION: REDS reveals 9 IP on Doberman (L). Foreign Minister Doberman nominates Karrienko "N" to be Party Chief. RBF reveals 1 IP each on K & B. N, L, W, B & K vote "Da"; R votes "Nyet".

PHASE 3.6: REPLACEMENT: Party Chief Karrienko shifts Doberman to KGB, then demotes Nikotin to Sports, then promotes Z to Candidate, aging 2 SP to 68. Schrukutov promotes by age to Foreign Minister and Boremtodev promotes by age to Defense. KGB Head Doberman promotes Q to Economy, aging 1 SP to 71. D promotes by age to Industry. Goferbrok and Mischif promote by age to Candidates.

PHASE 3.7: REHABILITATION: None.

PHASE 3.8: PARADE:

Party Chief Karrienko waves! REDS have 1 wave. TCC has two.

Due next are orders for Turn 4 Intraphasic through Health Phases. During the Intraphasic each faction, starting with RBF, may draw two cards, draw one card and add 1 IP to one politician, or add 1 IP to each of two politicians or 2 IP to a single politician. Hand limit is three cards, so discards may be necessary. You have cards:

POLITBURO:

Party Chief:	Karrienko (N)	68?	REDS 6, TCC 5
KGB Head:	Doberman (L)	71	REDS 9, RBF 4
Foreign Minister:	Schukrutow (B)	75	RBF 1
Defense Minister:	Boremtodev (K)	66?	RBF 1
Ideology Chief:	Bungaloff (W)	60	REDS 2, TCC 1
Industry Minister:	Niewitko (D)	73s	
Economy Minister:	Zenjarplan (Q)	60	
Sport Minister:	Nikotin (R)	64w	TCC 3, REDS 2
Candidates: CEISZ(+,RBF 5)			People: JMOPTUXY





Source of the Nile

Turn 16



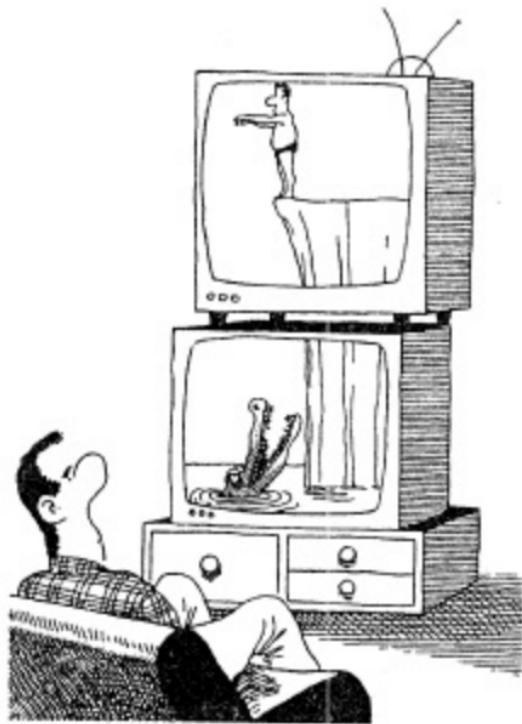
The Cast:

Dan Farrow (dropped)
Ron Fisher (dropped?)
Don Chinnery

Jason Bargender
Andrew York
D&D Anderson

Published: DD12 (lake, +79 acres), DD11 (lake, +75 acres), CC11 (lake, +88 acres), AA13 (veldt, river from 1 and 4 to 2), Z14 (veldt, river from 5 to 4, cataract, waterfall is 350 feet), Z13 (veldt, river from 1 to 2) and tribe L11 (the Mphahlele) in Z13.

Positions still available for fearless explorers. Contact Alan Burgender if interested.



Arcadio La Nacion/San Jose Costa Rica

The Wall: AFGV

Siberia: H

LEGEND: s = strong, w = weak, + = sick, ++ = ill, ? = under investigation, C# = card # remains as a bribe, © = taking the Cure.

ERRATA: G has ON-1.

THE CAST: (In Tiebreak Order)

London (McCabe): \$143, 14C, 3K, 70M, ON-1
Paris (Frueh): \$173, 19C, 2K, 60M, ON-4
Genoa (Copeland): \$81, 8C, 2K, 60M, ON-1
Hamburg (Debbie A): \$58, 7C, 6K, 100M, SV-10
Barcelona (Buttitta): \$82, 7C, 4K, 50M, ON-1
Venice (Hanna): \$129, 13C, 4K, 70M, SV-12

ADVANCES

A-L,N-T,V-Y
A-G,I-Y
A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,S,V-X
A,B,E,F,I,J,R,S,V,W
A-C,E,F,I-K,N,O,R-T,V-Y
A,B,E,F,H-K,N,O,R,S,V,W

There is a double surplus of Metal. No cards remain in the Deck.

8.7: B & G bid 0t. P bids 4t. H bids 5t. V bids 11t. L bids 13t.

9.2: **Card Purchase Phase:** P discards "Famine" and L discards "Spice".

9.3: **Card Play Phase:** P uses "Q" to advance a place this phase only.

G (0t) plays "de las Casas" and "Fur" (G,H,L,P&V +\$7).

P (4t) plays "Metal" (P +\$28, one surplus removed) and "Timber" (H&P +\$27, B,G,L&V +\$3).

B (0t) plays "Newton" (\$5 protection, \$20 rebate), "Cloth" (G +\$80, H,P&V +\$5), "Wine" (P +\$45, B +\$20, G +\$5), and "Fur" (G,H,L,P&V +\$7).

H (5t) plays "Mysticism Abounds" (G,H&V +2 ML, B +1 ML). "Copernicus" (no protection, \$20 rebate).

V (11t) plays "War" vs Paris (2 vs 1). P gains 2 ML and cedes Par to V; V gains 1 ML.

L (13t) plays no card.

THE CAST: (In Turn 8 Order)

Genoa (Copeland): \$183, 8C, 0K, 80M, ON-1
Barcelona (Buttitta): \$102, 7C, 4K, 60M, ON-1
Paris (Frueh): \$173, 19C, 2K, 60M, ON-4
Hamburg (Debbie A): \$119, 7C, 6K, 150M, SV-10
Venice (Hanna): \$129, 13C, 4K, 100M, SV-12
London (McCabe): \$143, 14C, 3K, 70M, ON-1

ADVANCES

A,B,E,F,I,N,O,R,S,V-X
A-C,E,F,I-K,N,O,R-T,V-Y
A-G,I-Y
A,B,E,F,I,J,R,S,V,W
A,B,E,F,H-K,N,O,R,S,V,W
A-L,N-T,V-Y

THE BOARD:

B: C @ Alg, BAR, Basq, Fez, Lis, Tol, WAF; 1T @ Alex, Barc, Tou, Tre.

G: C @ Bel, Flo, GEN, Mar, NAm, Sic, Smy, Tun; 1T @ Ada, Bart, Jer.

H: C @ Bru, Dan, HAM, Kie, Lub, Nov, Rig; 1T @ Col, Cop, Kaf, Mal, Mit, Smo, Ste, Whi.

L: C @ Ber, Cal, Che, Edi, Erz, Iee, LON, Por, Sev, Sue, Tan, Trt, Wat, Yor; 1T @ Arm, Corn, Kon, She, Wal.

P: C @ Alep, Basl, Bor, Bud, Chi, Cre, Cyp, Dub, Dij, Elm, Gra, Ind, Lya, Nur, Pra, SAM, Str, Salo; 1T @ Acr, Ath, Dur, Gal, Lev, StG, Tar.

V: C @ Ang, Con, Mil, Mon, Nap, Par, Pott, Rom, Sar, StM, Sto, Val, Var, VEN.

Due next time are orders for Turns 9.4 Purchase Phase through Final Card Play. See Website for map and transcript.

Your cards (Karte) are:

LEGEND: c = white circle, C = colored circle, K = cards, M = misery, ML = misery level, t = white token, T = colored token



BRITANNIA

"Devon"

Turn XI



The Cast:

Blue: Kevin Wilson Green: Rick Copeland Purple: Rudy Zodda Red: Peter Boyum

Board

Welsh (1): 5A @ N Mercia; 2A @ Powys; 1A @ Clywd, Cornwall, Devon, Dyfed, Gwent, Gwynedd..

Brigantes (1.5): 4A @ Strathclyde; 3A @ Dunedin; 2A @ Cumbria; 1A @ Galloway.

Picts (2.5): 3A @ Skye; 2A @ Alban; 1A @ Dalraida, Hebrides.

Caledonians (0.5): 2A @ Caithness, Moray; 1A @ Orkneys.

Irish (1.5): 2A @ Avalon, Cheshire, March.

Norsemen: 6A @ Icelandic.

Danes (1): 4R @ Fristan, North.

Jutes (1.5): 2A @ Wessex

Saxons (2.5): 2A @ S Mercia; 2A @ Lindsey, Sussex; 1A @ Downlands, Kent.

Angles (2): 3A @ Lothian; 2A @ Norfolk, York; 1A @ Bernicia, Pennines, Suffolk.

Score: Red 61, Green 54.5, Blue 46, Purple 40.

Welsh (1): Grow 5.5 pp. Force pool empty. 1A Powys-Chwyd, 1A Powys-Gwynedd, 1A Gwent-Dyfed, 2A N Mercia-Hwicce-Gwent, 3A N Mercia-Hwicce-Powys.

Brigantes (1.5): Grow 3.5 pp. Add 1A @ Cumbria. 3A Cumbria-Pennines (4,4,3:2 1 Angle r-Bernicia), 1A @ Galloway-Cumbria, 1A @ Strathclyde-Galloway, 1A @ Dunedin-Mar.

Picts (2.5): Grow 2 pp. Add 1A @ Dalraida. 1A Skye-Hebrides.

Caledonians (0.5): Grow 1.5 pp. 1A Moray-Caithness, 1A Caithness-Orkneys.

Irish (1.5): Grow 3 pp. Add 1A @ March. 1A @ March-Hwicce.

Norsemen: 3A @ Icelandic-Orkneys (3,2,1:5,2; 5,1:5,2; 1:5,1-3 Norseman), 3A @ Icelandic-Moray (5,4,3:4; 5,4,2:4; 4,3,2:2; 6,4,2:6 -1 Norseman, -1 Caledonians).

Danes: 3A North-Fristan-Kent (6,5,2:3 -1 Saxon), 1A North-Fristan-Essex, 3A Fristan-Suffolk (6,2,1:1 -1 Angle, -1 Danes). 1A Fristan-Suffolk-N Mercia. Danes withdraw. +4 VP.

Jutes (1.5): Grow 1 pp. Hold.

Saxons (2.5): Grow 3 pp. Add 1 A @

Score: Red 61, Green 58.5, Blue 46, Purple 40.

Board

Welsh (0.5): 3A @ Powys; 2A @ Clywd, Dyfed, Gwynedd, Gynedd; 1A @ Cornwall, Devon.

Brigantes (1): 3A @ Pennines, Strathclyde; 2A @ Dunedin; 1A @ Cumbria, Galloway, Mar.

Picts (0.5): 2A @ Alban, Dalraida, Hebrides, Skye.

Caledonians (0.5): 2A @ Caithness, Orkneys.

Irish (1.5): 2A @ Avalon, Cheshire, March; 1A @ Hwicce.

Norsemen: 2A @ Moray.

Danes: 4R @ Fristan; 3R @ North.

Jutes (2.5): 2A @ Wessex

Saxons (2.5): 2A @ S Mercia; 2A @ Lindsey, Sussex; 1A @ Downlands.

Angles (0.5): 3A @ Lothian; 2A @ Bernicia, Norfolk, York.

ON DECK



1830: R Fisher, Zieske, Copeland, Zodda, Hanna, Frueh

1835: Hanna

1856: Hanna, Frueh

1870: Zieske, Hanna, Frueh

AGE OF RENAISSANCE: Hanna, Frueh, Copeland

AIR BARON: R Fisher, Copeland, Zodda

BRITANNIA: Dave A. Hanna, Butitta, Boyum, Frueh (awaiting end of Devon or Egbert)

CIRCUS IMPERIUM: O'Hara

COLONIAL DIPLOMACY: O'Hara, Copeland, Nichols, Anderson, Cole; need 2 more.

DIPLOMACY: Fisher, Shacklett, Zodda, Anderson, Copeland

GLADIATOR: O'Hara

GUNSLINGER: Scott, Fowble, R Fisher, O'Hara; need 3 more

HISTORY OF THE WORLD: Zodda, Anderson, Wilson

JUNTA: Copeland, Dave A. Hanna

KINGMAKER: R Fisher, Shacklett, O'Hara

KREMLIN: Zodda, Scott, Anderson, Barrett

MACHIAVELLI (Gunboat): Have 2.

MAGIC REALM: Butitta, Deb A, O'Hara

MAHARAJA: Hanna

MERCHANDANT OF VENUS: R Fisher, Deb A

MONSTERS RAVAGE AMERICA: Butitta, TJ Klausutis(?)

RUSSIAN CIVIL WAR: O'Hara, Scott

SETTLERS of CATAN: Goz, K Wilson, Copeland

SILVERTON: Zieske, Deb A

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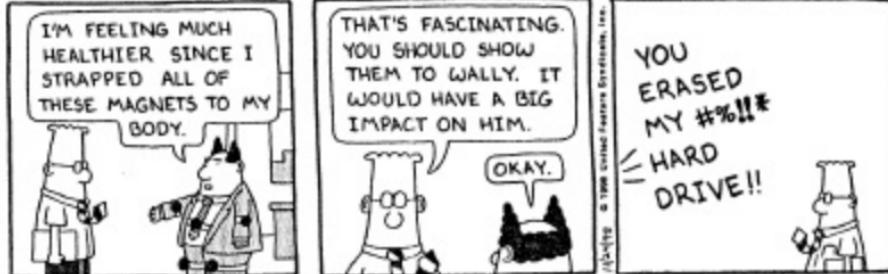
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